GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
FINANCE
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UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:3169
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CREATION OF POSTS IN INCOME TAX DEPARTMENT
PUSHPDAN SHAMBHUDAN GADHAVI

Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state:

(a) the details of Income Tax Assesses during the last three years;

(b) the details of number of posts of Income Tax Commissioners, Additional Income Tax Commissioners, Joint Income Tax Commissioners and Officers above the rank of Income Tax Officers created or upgraded during the period together with the reasons for creations/upgradation of these posts;

(c) the details of tax collections and administrative expenditure incurred during the last three years;

(d) whether creation/upgradation of huge number of posts do justify the tax collections during the period; and

(e) if not, the action proposed by the Government for utilisation of services of these officers?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE (GINGEE N. RAMACHANDRAN)

(a) The number of Income Tax Assesses during the last three years are as under:

Year	No. of Assesses (in lakhs)
1998-1999	182.26
1999-2000	211.81
2000-2001	248.00

(b) In order to increase the productivity of the Department through induction of technology, re-designing business process through functional specialisation, the number of posts above the rank of Income Tax Officers created or upgraded during the period are as under :-

Commissioner of Income Tax	: 296
Additional Commissioner of Income Tax	: 130
Joint Commissioner of Income Tax	: 194
Deputy Commissioner of Income Tax	: 207
Assistant Commissioner of Income Tax	: 86

(c) The details of direct taxes collections and cost of collection are as under :-

(in Rs. Crores)

Year	Direct taxes collection	Cost of collection

1998-1999	46,600.07	813.36
1999-2000	56,914.21	864.84
2000-2001	68,305.39	869.67

(d)&(e) The creation/upgradation of these posts would result in better supervision and would allow better tax payer service in a computerised environment.